

I will send you a package
of Bulbs &c in a day or two
I can not tell you now
where I shall be for the next
month — will write you
again when I am
stationed — will not be
at Salem

Ever yours
B. Meall

Salem Oregon

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Dear Gray

Yours is just
received — Yes I am married
when I last wrote you in the
Spring it had not then transpired
I have a good wife — She is
with me in this collecting
tour — we call it a Maderia
Collection — but unfortunate
She is no botanist. & I fear
will never take to it.

I am glad to hear that you
have a distributor for my
Collection so near at hand
The Specimens are now nearly
all packed closely in mostly thin
paper in one large box. I shall
finish it up in 10 or 12 days

hoop securely with iron
and direct it to you at
Boston by Ocean route
as the Cheapest - I fear
even your self will have some
difficulty in getting some of the
things rightly together in a
few instances where the Specimens
were obliged to be made in parts
Had I known earlier of this
arrangement for distribution
I could have put them up in better
shape with habitat & special locality
but it now becomes impossible
I have however indicated at
a few places in the box where
Cascade Mountain & East Oregon
species are If you do not see
by the marked Sheet the general
character of the plants will
show their localities - in round
numbers there are 600 species
a few more or less of

flowering plants & ferns &c (a fine
lot of Selaginella pendent from trees
near Cape Flattery - resembling
S. rupestris a form - but still I think
different. I want a good lot of but
in my Set) The Lichens &
Mosses are packed on the top
of the box The Lichens by
arrangement with Prof. Dickerman
are to be sent to him - &
the Mosses to Prof. Lesquereux
of Columbus Ohio unless
he may be at Cambridge
to receive them there
You will find some species
in faint numbers there are
to be divided with your own
herbarium & my set not
numbered but named for
me. These are mostly intended
to show you the localities & ranges
of the species - as in Drosera rotundifolia
as not in fit state for collecting